

I have been a 100% licensee for 29 years in communities ranging from 4,000 to 60,000 people.

Not only is it responsible broadcasting to be locally involved, both on the air and in the communities we serve, but it has been essential to the prosperity of my business.

Our most recent activity of involvement was when LL Bean was considering locating in our community. It was decided by the local newspaper to have people come together for a photograph at noon with banners urging them to come. We decided to join forces with them and have a live remote urging everyone to come. The response was fantastic.

Our organization has a full time news director who shares LOCAL stories on all 5 of our stations.

We consider ourselves to be PUBLIC ACCESS RADIO by opening our airwaves for 30 minutes each day allowing people to buy, trade, sell, or just wish someone a happy birthday.

I have served as President or Chairman of many non profit organizations over the years and could present many letters of thanks that I have received for donations of air time.

The FCC has nothing to fear. There is plenty of localism on our radio stations.

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